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Re: Request for Certificate of Correction

Consideration has been given your request for the issuance of a certificate of correction for the above-identified patent under the provisions of Rule 1.322.

Respecting the alleged error(s) in column 4 - line 65, after inspection of the application, it is revealed that the line was printed in accordance with the record. On October 13, 2005, the examiner mailed, "Response to Rule 312 Communication", this stated, "The particular amendment to paragraph 0035 broadens the scope and therefore can not be entered." A copy of this letter is enclosed. *Certificate of Corrections are issued to correct errors of minor nature, i.e. typographical, spelling or grammar errors, errors not considered "critical information"; which are correctable under the provisions of 1.322a; or applicant's errors correctable under the provisions of 1.323.* Therefore, being no fault of the Patent and Trademark Office, no correction(s) is/are in order here under United States Codes (U.S.C.) 254 or 255 and the Code of Federal Regulation (C.F.R.) 1.322 or 1.323).

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